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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To modernize Federal firearms laws to account for advancements in technology and less-than-lethal weapons, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STANTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Law Enforcement In-
5 novate to De-Escalate Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN LESS-THAN-LETHAL PRO-**
2 **JECTILE DEVICES FROM RESTRICTIONS**
3 **UNDER TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 921(a) of title 18, United
5 States Code, is amended—

6 (1) in the 2nd sentence of paragraph (3), by in-
7 sserting “or a less-than-lethal projectile device” be-
8 fore the period; and

9 (2) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(38) The term ‘less-than-lethal projectile device’
11 means a device with a bore or multiple bores, that—

12 “(A) is not designed or intended to expel a pro-
13 jectile at a velocity exceeding 500 feet per second by
14 any means; and

15 “(B) is designed or intended to be used in a
16 manner that is not likely to cause death or serious
17 bodily injury.”.

18 **SEC. 3. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN LESS-THAN-LETHAL PRO-**
19 **JECTILE DEVICES FROM FIREARMS AND AM-**
20 **MUNITION TAX.**

21 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4182 of the Internal Rev-
22 enue Code of 1986 is amended by redesignating subsection
23 (d) as subsection (e) and by inserting after subsection (c)
24 the following new subsection:

25 “(d) LESS-THAN-LETHAL PROJECTILE DEVICES.—
26 The tax imposed by section 4181 shall not apply to any

1 less-than-lethal projectile device (as defined in section
2 921(a)(38) of title 18, United States Code) or any less-
3 than-lethal shells or cartridges designed for use in such
4 a device.”.

5 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
6 this section shall apply to articles sold by the manufac-
7 turer, producer, or importer after the date of the enact-
8 ment of this Act.

9 **SEC. 4. EXEMPTION OF CERTAIN LESS-THAN-LETHAL PRO-**
10 **JECTILE DEVICES FROM NATIONAL FIRE-**
11 **ARMS ACT.**

12 Section 5845(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of
13 1986 is amended by adding at the end the following:
14 “Such term shall not include any less-than-lethal projectile
15 device (as defined in section 921(a)(38) of title 18, United
16 States Code).”.